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## Israel Pays U.S. Again For '67 Attack on Ship

WASHINGTON, May 13 (AP)—Israel has paid the United States $3.4-million for the 164 seamen injured during the 1967 Israeli attack on the United States communications ship Liberty, the State Department announced today. An earlier payment, of $3.3-million, was compensation for the 34 crewmen killed in the incident.

Israeli planes and torpedo boats attacked the ship by mistake when she was 15 miles north of the Sinai Peninsula during the Arab-Israeli war.

The Israeli Government expressed deep regret immediately afterward and said it was "prepared to make amends for the tragic loss of life and material damage." The earlier payment was made in May, 1968.

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An earlier payment of $3.3 million was made in May, 1968, for the families of the 34 men killed in the attack. The United States reportedly has asked about $7 million for damages to the ship itself.

Press officer Carl Bartch said the second payment, made April 28, includes $3.4 million for the injured, $92,437 for Government expenses and $21,745 to compensate for personal property.

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